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# FALL TO QUIT MARCH 4

## DOLLAR A YEAR MEN INDICTED BY GRAND JURY

Former Assistant Secretary of War in Group Facing Charges of Peculation.

**'COST PLUS' SYSTEM IS BASIS OF CHARGE**  
 Millions Lost; Morale of Labor Hurt is Claim Made by Investigators.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Benedict Crowell, assistant secretary of war under the Wilson administration and six "dollar a year" men associated with the council of national defense were indicted today by a special grand jury investigating war frauds, on charges of conspiracy to defraud the government in the construction of war time army camps and cantonments. Others indicted are William A. Starrett, Morton G. Tuttle, Clements W. Lundoff, Claire Foster, John H. McGibbons, James A. Means, Loss to the government of millions of dollars and a reduction of the morale of labor caused by letting contracts under the "cost plus system" to friends, associates and clients is alleged.

## FARMERS WILL GAIN BY GRAIN SACK RULING

According to a telegram received by S. H. Thompson, president of the Umatilla County Farm bureau, from Congressman N. J. Sinnott, a ruling recently made by the customs division of the treasury department to the effect that each jute grain bag imported into the United States from India must be stamped showing the place of manufacture has been revoked.

Protest against the ruling was made by local farmers on the ground that the price of bags would automatically be increased one-half cent on each foreign made bag. This in turn would set the price of domestic up. It is estimated by Mr. Thompson that the revoking of the order will save grain farmers in this county alone the sum of \$10,000.

Senators McNary and Stanford and Congressman Sinnott were active in their efforts to get the ruling changed, according to President Thompson. The following telegram was received by Thompson from Sinnott:

"I am informed by the chief of the division of customs that the former ruling has been revoked and an order issued obviating stamping of each sack."

## EXPECTED ARRESTS NOT YET MADE AT MERROUGE

MER ROUGE, La., Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Forty or more prominent citizens here face arrest in connection with night rider terrorism. It may come any time. State officials are conferring today at New Orleans regarding the authorities' next steps.

WEATHER

Reported by Major Lee Moorhouse, weather observer.  
Maximum 43.  
Minimum 29.  
Barometer 29.92.

TODAY'S FORECAST

Tonight and Sunday rain or snow.

## GIANT POLICEMAN CARRIES TEN LITTLE CHILDREN FROM BURNING TENEMENT THEN TURNS IN ALARM

CHICAGO, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Two small children were rescued in a tenement fire early today by Sergeant Charles Eltz, the biggest man on the Chicago police force, the building housing eight families was enveloped in flames when Eltz entered, but he went from flat to flat, gathering sleeping children in his arms. His clothing was as fire when he emerged, almost exhausted, yet he carried every child in the burning building out and only after all were saved did he turn in an alarm.

## HARDING SENDS COKE NAME TO THE SENATE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—President Harding today sent to the senate the nomination of John S. Coke of Marshallfield, to be United States attorney for Oregon.

## CONSTITUTION AHEAD OF FOREIGN WISHES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Declaring the United States constitution "cannot be made to conform to foreign nations' shipping regulations," the government today filed in the supreme court its answer to the suit brought by the foreign shipping lines to set aside American General Danahy's ruling prohibiting transportation of liquor inside of the American three mile limit.

## ARMED MORE FIRE

ARDMORE, Okla., Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—One person was burned to death in a fire which swept two business blocks here today. The property damage is estimated at \$150,000.

## MAJORITY OF FOREST FIRES CAUSED BY MEN

Nearly six thousand forest fires were started on the national forests of the country in the year 1921, is the statement of Chief Forester William B. Greeley in his annual report just received by the district forester, Geo. H. Cook in Portland.

One-fourth of these fires were caused by lightning and one-third are directly attributable to the carelessness of campers, brush burners, lumbermen, incendiaries, and railroads are responsible for the bulk of the remaining fires.

Over 375,000 acres of national forest land was burned over, with a total damage of more than \$200,000. The cost to the nation for fighting these fires amounted to \$125,411.

The 1922 fire season is not yet over for the entire United States, the report continues, so that no complete statistics covering it can be given. In Oregon and Washington it has been the most severe in some years. The usual May and June rain failed, and fires set to clean up slash on private lands burned on into the danger period, with resulting great losses to property and growing timber. In 1922, of the forest fires on the 12 Oregon national forests 58 per cent were man-caused, while for the eight Washington national forests 74 per cent were due to man-made causes, of which 21 per cent in Oregon and 21 per cent in Washington were due to campers and smokers.

## PRESIDENT FREES 8 POLITICAL PRISONERS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—President Harding today commuted the sentences of eight political prisoners. They must leave the country, however, within 60 days or be returned to prison. The men are Aurelio Augera, C. J. Bourke, Peter Green, Charles Lambert, Harry Lloyd, Bert Lorton, Sam Scarlett and Archie Sinclair, with no home address given.

**KING RECEIVES GIFT**  
 BRUSSELS, Dec. 29.—A large number of costly gifts, including a set of harness mounted in gold and enriched with precious stones, have been presented to King Albert by King Tafari, regent of Abyssinia. Among the gifts were also many shields and spears, one of the shields formerly belonging to Emperor Menelik and used by him at the battle of Adowa.

Similar gifts were sent from Abyssinia to the late Emperor Nicholas of Russia, when he recognized Abyssinian independence.

## INDIAN MEDICINE MAN WHO BROUGHT CHINOOKS TO UMATILLA IS DEAD

In future who will bring the halcyon air of the Chinook to break the grip of Winter when that stern giant has full control of the land, that lies in the valley of the Umatilla?

This question is being asked now by farmers following the death at Toppenish, Wash., just before Christmas of Alfalfa Jim, a full-blood Walla Walla Indian. He was about 70 years old and is survived by his widow. Someone will have to take the place of Alfalfa Jim.

"The story has often been told," says Major E. L. Swartzlander, "about Alfalfa Jim that he was the Indian at Cayuse who has been responsible for the coming of the Chinook wind; that when the snows and cold weather came the farmers of Cayuse and Adams would beseech Alfalfa Jim to bring the Chinook. Sometimes the farmers would not have a sufficient amount of the Chinook was long in coming, but if they paid him what he asked he mixed his medicine right and the Chinook took the snow and zero weather. So far it has not been determined who will take charge of the Chinooks hereafter."

## ENGLISH WOMAN WILL HANG AS MURDERER

LONDON, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Mrs. Edith Thompson and Frederick Bywaters will hang simultaneously in the morning of January 5th for the murder of the woman's husband Percy Thompson, the Daily Mail announced today. The home secretary refused petitions for clemency. Mrs. Thompson is an expectant mother and will be the first British woman hung in 30 years.

Frederick Bywaters' appeal accompanied by petitions so large that two motor trucks were required to carry them to the home office, contained more than 1,000,000 names. Percy Thompson for whose murder the couple will hang, was found dying in his wife's arms outside of their home the night of October 4th. A sensational trial developed that the couple had plotted his death.

## SCRIMMAGE GAMES TO BE USED TO DEVELOP TEAM

The high school basketball team is not formed yet, but a great deal of material that promises to battle well for the locals has been developed during the days of preliminary training, according to Coach Homer C. Taylor.

The schedule of regular games will not open until after the beginning of the second semester, but beginning today "scrimmages" for practice work are being held. The alumni and the varsity are playing a practice game this afternoon at the high school. Tuesday the Buckaroos will scrimmage with the Legion Bulldogs, and soon after school opens Adams and Pendleton will mix in scrimmage games.

Holmgren, who is working as center this year, is the only seasoned player Taylor has to use in building up his quintet of hoopers. Several other men who played some last year are out, and the new material is promising well. The final list of players for the first team probably will not be determined for two or three weeks.

In addition to Holmgren some of the other men who are being used on the first string include Despain, a junior, Hutton, a sophomore, Cook, a freshman, Gillette, a sophomore, Planting, Albee and Addison, seniors, and Buffington.

On the second string men at present Sager, Look, Harthorn, Raymond, Newton, Johns and several other promising candidates are being used.

"The team has not been picked yet, so there undoubtedly will be shifts made before we have a definite lineup," Coach Taylor said today. "Some of the men now rated as first-string men may be shifted to the second string, and those now playing with the second string may be moved up a notch. It all depends on how the men work."

**BLOOMFONTEIN, Grange River Colony, Tex., 29.**—Two thirty natives recently rode a train, killed it, and had a feast. The animal turned out to be a prize steer, owned by the government, and valued at \$250,000. Today the natives are in prison and confinement is months of hard labor.

## BRITISH WILL OFFER TO CUT REPARATIONS

New Program to be Offered Paris Conference Would Reduce Payments Greatly.

## BONAR LAW WILL SEEK FOR FRENCH APPROVAL

Speech by Hughes Declared as Helpful in Move; Fair Trial for Germany Urged.

LONDON, Dec. 29.—(A. P.)—Prime Minister Bonar Law will take to the Paris conference of premiers a complete plan upon which the British cabinet passed judgment yesterday in the hope of obtaining from the French an agreement for final settlement of the reparations problem. Details of Bonar Law's plan are not available, but it is believed that it will set down Germany's obligations at approximately one-third of the Versailles treaty figures. The British desire the French to give Germany a fair trial under the new scheme, which if not productive of the desired results, would be supplemented by the French schemes involving coercive methods. Officials here believed the speech made by Secretary Hughes last night at New Haven would be helpful to the Paris conference.

**NATIONAL ADVERTISING SAVES.**  
 LONDON, Dec. 29.—England this fall had an exceptionally large harvest of oysters, so much so that there was fear the public would not consume it all. So the oystermongers of Colchester started a national advertising campaign which in three weeks cleared their shelves and left the noble still clamoring for more.

## GERMAN CHANCELLOR TO ASK 20 BILLION LOAN

BERLIN, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Chancellor Cuno will propose to the allied premiers' meeting in Paris Tuesday that if Germany can get a loan of 20,000,000,000 gold marks at 5 per cent, with adequate guarantees by Germany, she will pay the allies in a lump sum 40,000,000,000 gold marks. Cuno stipulates a one per cent amortization. If the allies cannot find the entire loan at once, the balance could wait five years. Germany will undertake to pay a portion of the loan to German people. Germany imposes conditions of a withdrawal of the troops from three important cities and a gradual reduction of the allied troops along the Rhine. German socialists are expected to fight the guarantee proposals in the Reichstag. The French are also expected to oppose the scheme.

## BAKKE SERVICES ARE TO BE HELD TOMORROW

Funeral services for Miss Oline Bakke, whose death occurred Wednesday, will be held tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 o'clock at the funeral home of Brown & Brady. The Rev. G. I. Clark will be in charge of the services, and interment will be made here. The same services will be in charge of Mrs. S. H. Forshaw.

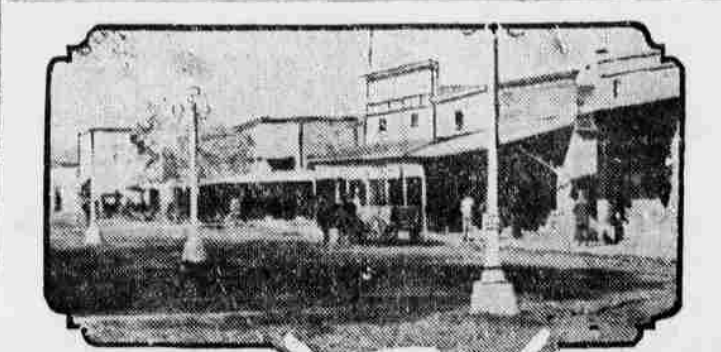
Miss Bakke was born in Norway in 1904. At the age of 16 she came to the United States. Her residence in Pendleton began about one year ago. She is survived by three brothers, Ole, Jack, of Missouri, Mont., and two brothers who live in Norway, and by one sister, Mrs. Hilda Anderson of Duluth, Minn.

**IN MEMORY OF OLIVE BAKKE.**  
 By C. S. Terpen of Oline's friends can now recall That she was kind to them all.

That she was pure in heart and mind And knew the art of being kind. She used her merit to avoid A crime, and to give a fault.

**MARKET STEADY.**  
 PORTLAND, Dec. 29.—(A. P.)—Livestock steady, eggs weak, butter steady.

STREET SCENE IN MER ROUGE, LA., NOW IN LIME LIGHT AS RESULT OF TROUBLE



This picture shows the village of Mer Rouge, Louisiana, in the national spot. Light as the scene of the murders of E. W. Daniels and T. E. Richards. Federal authorities and Governor Parker of Louisiana are striving to place the blame upon the Ku Klux Klan. Officers of that organization however claim they do not sanction lawlessness and that if the Klan at Mer Rouge is involved the charter there will be revoked.

## TURKEY ASKS FOR MOSUL PLEBISCITE

**PERHAPS SOME DAY SUCH COMPANIES WILL LEARN TO USE CHECKS**

CLEVELAND, Dec. 29.—(A. P.)—Armed bandits today held up the paymaster of the Perry Cap and Screw company, and escaped with \$20,000 of the week's payroll. The paymaster had just returned from the bank with the money. He was heavily guarded by an armed escort, but was caught off guard by the sudden raid.

## LITTLE CHANGE MADE IN PRICE OF WHEAT

Changes in wheat prices today were very slight and were only fractional, December losing one-fourth of a cent. May gained one-fourth of a cent and July gained one cent even. Quotations today on December, May and July respectively were \$1.26, \$1.22 5-8, and \$1.13 3-8. Closing prices yesterday were \$1.26 1-4, \$1.22 5-8 and \$1.12 3-8, respectively. The following quotations were received by Overbeck & Cooke, local brokers:

	Open	High	Low	Close
Dec.	1.27 1/2	1.27 1/2	1.27	1.26
May	1.22 1/2	1.22 1/2	1.20 1/2	1.22 1/2
July	1.12 1/2	1.13 1/2	1.11	1.13 1/2

## CHURCHES CO-OPERATE IN UNION SERVICES

Special music, both vocal and instrumental, and singing by the United congregations, as well as several brief addresses by speakers to be provided by the four churches participating, will be some of the features of the union night services to be held at the Methodist church Sunday night.

A social hour will also be enjoyed during which refreshments will be served. The churches co-operating in holding the union services are the Christian, Baptist, Presbyterian and Methodist. The church will be open at 8:20 o'clock, and the services proper will begin at 9 o'clock. Following is the program in full:

9:00—Service begins.  
 9:00-9:20—Congregational and instrumental song service.  
 9:20-9:30—Address: "The Social Need."  
 9:30-9:35—Violin solo.  
 9:35-9:45—Address: "The Meaning of Loyalty."  
 9:45-9:50—Special music.  
 9:50-10:00—Address: Stewardship.  
 10:00-10:05—Congregational singing.  
 10:05-10:15—Address: Christ's Claim on My Life.  
 10:15-11:15—Social hour, refreshments.  
 11:15—Congregational hymn.  
 11:20 to 11:30—Address: Rev. J. H. Scott.  
 11:30-11:45—Testimony of gratitude and New Year resolutions on the theme, "Me and My Church."  
 11:45-11:50—Conservation hymn by the congregation.  
 11:50-12:00—Prayer.  
 Benediction.  
 Everyone is welcome.

**WORLD'S LARGEST DOCK**  
 LONDON, Dec. 29.—The world's largest floating dock is now being constructed in Scotland for an English railway company, and will be moored in the harbor at Southampton in time for use next spring. The dock is made entirely of reinforced concrete, and will cost about \$5,000,000.

## INTERIOR CHIEF WILL RESIGN IS REPORT; FIGHT MAY BE AT BASE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—(U. P.)—Secretary of the Interior Fall will resign from the Harding cabinet March 4, according to the Washington Post private business requiring his attention, the paper stated.

Prior to being appointed as secretary of the Interior Secretary Fall was a senator from New Mexico. For a year past or longer he has been involved in a controversy with the agricultural department over forest reserve control and other subjects. It is reported that recently a crisis in this case occurred and that President Harding refused to sustain the ideas advocated by Secretary Fall.

**MANUFACTURES FIRST CAR**  
 RIGA, Dec. 29.—The Soviet Russian government has entered the motor car manufacturing business, and the first car to come to Riga attracted much interested attention. It is gray in color, of 40 horse power, weighs 2,550 pounds, has a speed of 53 miles an hour, and seats seven passengers. The operation of the factory where the first car was produced is in the hands of a staff said to have been trained in the United States.

## RETIRING OFFICERS OF COUNTY RECEIVE THANKS

Today is the last day of the term of office for G. L. Dunning, county commissioner, and C. K. Cranston, county treasurer. Their successors in office will come into office January 1, according to County Judge I. M. Chaney, but since the first Monday is a legal holiday, the change will not be made until the following day.

J. O. Hales succeeds Mr. Dunning as county commissioner. He will meet with the other members of the court at the first session of the body on Wednesday, January 3. Mr. Cranston will be succeeded by H. H. DeHart.

Resolutions were adopted by Judge Schanap and Commissioner H. H. DeHart thanking their fellow members. Mr. Dunning for his unselfish and constant devotion to the public service during the past four years, and thanking Mr. Cranston for his efficient service for the term of his appointment. He took up the duties of the office following the resignation of Miss Grace A. Gilliam several months since.

## STORMS NOW RAGE ON FRENCH COAST

BORDEAUX, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—The terrific storms of sleet and snow that played havoc with North Atlantic shipping all week has been whipped southward by hundred mile gales and today were causing damage along the lower coast of France. One large French vessel was driven into the mouth of Gironde river and was unable to proceed.

**SMELTING PLANT UNEARTHED.**  
 JOHANNESBURG, Dec. 29.—A discovery of considerable archaeological interest has been made 20 miles north of the Lepenport tin mines in the Transvaal, near the Bechuanaland border.

A prospector has unearthed what is apparently a portion of an ancient smelting plant and a quantity of slag, which is being submitted to expert examination. Nearby were old workings and a substantial body of ore containing a whitish metal, thought to be platinum or molybdenum. Mining engineers have left for the scene of the discovery.

## \$30,000 IN BOOZE IS GONE; SHERIFF ACCUSED

DESMOINES, Dec. 29.—(U. P.)—Sheriff Winfred E. Robb, preacher-busman, today was arrested in connection with the disappearance of \$30,000 worth of liquor from the county jail. Robb and his brother George Robb, deputy sheriff, were jailed on warrants charging larceny and illegal disposal of liquor.